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High resolution images of last year's HEART of Honolulu Festival are available HERE!

## DOWNTOWN ART CENTER PRESENTS THE 2ND ANNUAL HEART OF HONOLULU ART FESTIVAL, A FAMILY-FRIENDLY BLOCK PARTY IN CHINATOWN, ON SATURDAY, APRIL 8, 2023

Honolulu (February 2023) — Celebrate the arts, culture, and good food as you walk, shop, and eat your way around the Chinatown Arts District. Downtown Art Center is proud to present the second annual **HEART of Honolulu Street Festival**, a family-friendly, daytime art festival that will close Nu'uanu Avenue, from King Street to Chaplain Lane, to vehicle traffic in order to showcase local art, crafts, live local music, local food vendors, and more, with fun, interactive things to do, see, and make for the entire family. The free public festival takes place on **Saturday**, **April 8**, **from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.** 

HEART is an acronym that stands for Heritage, Entertainment, Arts & Culture, Restaurants, and Theatre & Performing Arts. Together, these elements make up the core of the vibrant creative community that exists in the Bethel and Nu'uanu Avenue district, between King Street and Beretania Avenue.

The HEART of Honolulu Street Festival is organized by the nonprofit **Downtown Art Center**. Other notable participating artists and creative organizations include: The ARTS at Marks Garage, Hawai'i Arts Alliance, Hawai'i Craftsmen, Hawai'i Theatre, Kumu Kahua Theatre, Chinatown artist Sergio Garzon, pop-up artist group Manini Gallery, musician Terry Oyama and friends, Honolulu Printmakers, and more.

For more information on the HEART of Honolulu Street Festival, please visit **downtownarthi.org/heartofhonolulufestival.** 

## **About Downtown Art Center (DAC):**

Located in the Chinatown Gateway Plaza building at 1041 Nu'uanu Ave., Second Floor, the nonprofit Downtown Art Center is an evolving gallery and workshop space for O'ahu's arts scene. DAC is a thriving center for the arts, providing display space for local artists and art organizations, workshop classrooms, performances, and more. DAC is dedicated to the revitalization of Downtown/Chinatown Honolulu through culture and the arts.

Parking for DAC is located at nearby municipal parking lots (onsite at Chinatown Gateway Plaza, parking entrance off Bethel Street) or at Mark's Garage (entrance at 22 S. Pauahi St.). DAC is easily accessible by public transit as well; get directions, routes and timetables at <a href="https://www.thebus.org">www.thebus.org</a>.

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